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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 8 December 1994

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. — consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultation Room

Subjects

- UNAVEM II (S/1994/1376)
- Tajikistan (S/1994/1363)
- Security Council working methods and procedure (S/1994/1279)
- Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-ninth session

10 a.m. — 81st PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: opening of the Decade [103]:

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/49/444, A/49/536);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/49/446).

3 p.m. — 82nd PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

1. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: opening of the Decade [103]:

   (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/49/444, A/49/536);

   (b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/49/446).

2. Financing of the United Nations peace-keeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Disengagement Observer Force: report of the Fifth Committee (A/49/755) [116 (a)].

3. Financing of the United Nations Protection Force: report of the Fifth Committee (A/49/756) [122].

4. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II: report of the Fifth Committee (A/49/757) [123].

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

3 p.m.-6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on draft proposals A/C.2/49/L.22 *(item 12)*; A/C.2/49/L.49 *(item 88)*; A/C.2/49/L.32, L.34, L.36, L.38 and L.43 *(item 88 (a))*; A/C.2/49/L.29 *(item 88 (c))*; and A/C.2/49/L.27 *(item 88 (g))*

6 p.m.*-9 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on draft proposals A/C.2/49/L.7 *(item 87 (d))*; A/C.2/49/L.12 *(item 87 (c))*; A/C.2/49/L.50 *(item 89)*; and A/C.2/49/L.47 and L.48 *(item 158)*

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* Subject to the availability of services.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 59th meeting Conference Room 1

Crime prevention and criminal justice [96] (A/49/228-S/1994/827, A/49/307-S/1994/958, A/49/315, A/49/350 and Add.1, A/49/381, A/49/422-S/1994/1086, A/49/593, A/49/712, A/49/748; A/C.3/49/27; E/1994/31 and Add.1)

General discussion

Human rights questions [100]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Introduction of draft proposals A/C.3/49/L.38, L.39, L.42 to L.63

4 p.m.-6 p.m. 60th meeting Conference Room 1

Human rights questions [100]

(e) Capital punishment

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.32 and proposed amendments in documents A/C.3/49/L.73 and L.74

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Continuation of introduction of draft resolutions

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 104 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors) (A/49/5 (Vol.I-IV), A/49/5/Add.1-9, A/49/214; A/48/572, A/48/587, A/48/515 and Add.1; A/49/368, A/49/348 and Add.1-2 and A/49/547))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 132 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peace-keeping operations (A/48/622, A/48/945 and Corr.1; A/49/557; A/48/912, A/48/421 and Add.1, A/49/717 and Corr.1 and A/49/664 and Add.1))

6.30 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 113 (Human resources management (A/C.5/49/5; A/49/527; A/C.5/49/6 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/C.5/48/37 and Add.1, A/C.5/49/14, A/C.5/49/13, A/C.5/49/32; A/49/406, A/49/445; A/C.5/48/45; A/49/176 and Add.1, A/49/587, A/49/219 and Add.1 and A/49/587))

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 7

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Mission for the Verification of Human Rights and of Compliance with the Commitments of the Comprehensive Agreement on Human Rights in Guatemala
2. Financing for the expansion of the United Nations Observer Mission in South Africa

PANEL OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

TECHNICAL GROUP

Tenth meeting

9.30 a.m.- 12.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
2.30 p.m.- 5.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Informal open-ended consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal open-ended consultations on the draft of the Platform for Action for the Fourth World Conference on Women (in accordance with Commission resolution 38/10 in E/1994/27)

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 8 December 1994

GROUP OF 27 OF THE GROUP OF 77
(agenda item 37)

9.30 a.m.- 10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

ORIENTATION COURSE ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL
FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 27 OF THE GROUP OF 77
(on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit (A/49/133-E/1994/49 and Add.1) and other matters)

1.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE

Afternoon*- 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

* Following the adjournment of the meeting of the Group of 27 of the Group of 77.

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

3.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

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Informal consultations

Consultations among members of the Security Council, troop contributors and the Secretariat on the United Nations Verification Mission in Angola (UNAVEM) will be held *today*, 8 December 1994, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Informal meeting

There will be an informal meeting for delegations interested in the draft resolution on agenda item 37 (a) (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian emergency assistance of the United Nations) *today*, 8 December 1994, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

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Informal meeting

There will be an informal meeting for delegations interested in concertations on agenda item 158 (Report of the International Conference on Population and Development) *today*, 8 December 1994, at 3 p.m. the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 9 December 1994

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-ninth session

10 a.m. 83rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Protection and security of small States: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/616) [74].

2. Effects of atomic radiation: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/617) [75].

3. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space; question of the review of the Agreement Governing the Activities of States on the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/618) [76 and 147].

4. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/619) [77].

5. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/620) [78].

6. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/621) [79].

7. Questions relating to information: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/622) [80].

8. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/623) [81].

9. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under colonial domination; implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/624) [82 and 18].

10. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations; report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/625) [83 and 12].

11. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/626) [84].

12. Science and peace: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/627) [85].

13. Question of the composition of the relevant organs of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/628) [86].

14. The situation in the occupied territories of Croatia: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/630) [148].

15. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/49/615) [18].

16. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]:

    (a) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (A/49/23 (Parts I-VIII), A/AC.109/1179-1183, 1185-1186, 1188-1195 and 1197);

    (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/49/492);

    (c) Draft resolutions (A/49/L.51, A/49/L.52).

3 p.m. 84th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Observer status of national liberation movements recognized by the Organization of African Unity and/or by the League of Arab States: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/734) [133].

2. Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/735) [134].

3. Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/736) [135].

4. United Nations Decade of International Law: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/737) [136].

5. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its forty-sixth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/738) [137].

6. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its twenty-seventh session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/739) [138].

7. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/740) [139].

8. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/741 and Corr.1*) [140].

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* To be issued.

9. Question of responsibility for attacks on United Nations and associated personnel and measures to ensure that those responsible for such attacks are brought to justice: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/742) [141].

10. Measures to eliminate international terrorism: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/743) [142].

11. Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/744) [143].

12. Request for an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/745) [144].

13. Review of the procedure provided for under article 11 of the statute of the Administrative Tribunal of the United Nations: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/746) [145].

14. Question of criteria for the granting of observer status in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/49/747) [157].

Informal consultations

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.	closed meeting	

Informal consultations conducted by H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria) on draft proposals submitted under item 37:

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [37]:

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions (draft resolutions A/49/L.34, A/49/L.37/Rev.1, A/49/L.39/Rev.1, A/49/L.42, A/49/L.48 and A/49/L.50);

(e) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war stricken Afghanistan (draft resolution A/49/L.45);

(c) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (draft resolution A/49/L.29).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
6 p.m.*	closed meeting	

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THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	61st meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	31st meeting	Conference Room 3

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

Afternoon*	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
6.30 p.m.	closed meeting	

* Following the adjournment of the 31st meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	

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The PANEL OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY will hold its thirty-sixth regular session at Headquarters on 12 and 13 December 1994. The meetings will be held in Conference Room 8.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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A meeting on United Nations System's human rights procedures, convened by the Centre for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee for the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, will take place on Friday, 9 December 1994, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 7 December 1994

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-ninth session

79th plenary meeting

Complete withdrawal of foreign military forces from the territories of the Baltic States: report of the Secretary-General (A/49/419) [26]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Secretary-General (A/49/419).

His Excellency Mr. Maris Gailis, Prime Minister of the Republic of Latvia (on behalf of the Baltic States) made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Germany (on behalf of the European Union and Austria), Denmark (on behalf of the Nordic countries), the United States, the Czech Republic and Afghanistan.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 26.

Building a peaceful and better world through sport: draft resolution (A/49/L.46) [156]

The representative of the United States made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/49/L.46.

Statements were made by the representatives of Panama, Guyana, Guinea, Spain, Tunisia (on behalf of the States members of the Organization of the African Unity) and Côte d'Ivoire.

The General Assembly decided to adopt draft resolution A/49/L.46 (resolution 49/29).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 156.

Support by the United Nations system for the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies: draft resolution (A/49/L.49) [159]

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/49/L.49.

Statements were made by the representatives of Romania, the Philippines and Benin.

Programme of work

The President informed the members that the General Committee would meet on Tuesday, 13 December 1994, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider two requests for the inclusion of additional items in the agenda of the forty-ninth session contained in documents A/49/237 and A/49/238, the latter to be issued.

80th plenary meeting

Support by the United Nations system for the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies: draft resolution (A/49/L.49) [159]

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany (on behalf of the European Union and Austria), Kyrgyzstan, Brazil, Belize, Ecuador, by H.E. Mr. Yezdiar Kaikobad, Member of the National Assembly of Pakistan, and by the representatives of Honduras, Panama, Guatemala, Argentina, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Israel, Ukraine, Mali, Belarus, Chile, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Bangladesh.

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 3237 (XXIX) of 22 November 1974 and 43/177 of 15 December 1988 the observer of Palestine made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/49/L.49 (resolution 49/30).

A statement in explanation of vote was made by the representative of China.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 159.

Programme of work

The President announced that the General Assembly would consider all the draft resolutions submitted under agenda item 37 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) and not yet acted upon on Tuesday, 20 December, in the morning.

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE 32nd meeting

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.3

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Raiko S. Raichev (Bulgaria), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the text.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution.

Macroeconomic policy questions [87]:

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries

(b) Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.6

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-items and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Raiko S. Raichev (Bulgaria), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the text and orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The representatives of Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Belarus made statements.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-items 87 (a) and (b).

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [88]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.45

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Raiko S. Raichev (Bulgaria), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the text and orally revised the draft resolution.

The representatives of Benin and Indonesia made statements.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The representative of Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

(d) Cultural development

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.33

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Raiko S. Raichev (Bulgaria), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the text and orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 88 (d).

(h) International cooperation for the eradication of poverty in developing countries

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/49/L.28 and L.53

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Raiko S. Raichev (Bulgaria), introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.53 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.28.

The representative of Benin made a statement.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.53, as orally revised.

Draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.28 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsor.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 88 (h).

Environment and sustainable development [89]

Action on draft proposals A/C.2/49/L.8 and L.58

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Arjan Hamburger (Netherlands), introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.58 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.8.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.58, as orally corrected.

Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Germany (on behalf of the European Union, Austria, Finland and Sweden), Ukraine, Belarus, Hungary and Morocco.

Draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.8 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsor.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.20

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Arjan Hamburger (Netherlands), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the draft text and orally revised the draft resolution.

The representative of Tunisia made a statement.

The representatives of the Philippines and Samoa informed the Committee that their delegations had joined the co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, China, Turkey and the United of America.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.24

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Arjan Hamburger (Netherlands), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the draft text and orally revised the draft resolution.

The representative of Argentina informed the Committee that her delegation had joined as a co-sponsor of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The representative of Mexico made a statement.

(d) Elaboration of an international convention to combat desertification in those countries experiencing serious drought and/or desertification, particularly in Africa

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/49/L.13 and L.30 (Programme Budget Implications in A/C.2/49/L.54)

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Arjan Hamburger (Netherlands), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.30 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.13.

The Committee's attention was drawn to the statement on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.30 contained in A/C.2/49/L.54.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.30.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines, Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Benin.

Draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.13 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsor.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 89 (d).

Additional co-sponsors

The representative of Brazil informed the Committee that the delegations of Australia and Mexico had joined the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.2/49/L.41 (item 92: Agenda for development).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 57th meeting

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [103]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.26/Rev.1

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

The Committee was reminded that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

The representative of Australia made oral revisions to the revised draft resolution.

It was announced that Antigua and Barbuda, Armenia, the Bahamas, Barbados, the Central African Republic, Comoros, Finland, Gambia, Greece, Iceland, the Marshall Islands, Nigeria, the Philippines, Portugal, the Russian Federation, the Solomon Islands, Spain and Venezuela had also joined as sponsors of the revised draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the revised draft resolution as orally revised.

After the adoption of the revised draft resolution, the representative of Indonesia made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Human rights [100]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the agenda item.

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.28**

The Chairman informed the Committee that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Guatemala, Angola, Comoros and the Sudan had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The representative of Mexico orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee, then, adopted the draft resolution as orally revised.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.29

The Chairman informed the Committee that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Belgium, Latvia, New Zealand, Tunisia, as well as Monaco and Albania had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Secretary read out the revisions that were made to the draft resolution when it was introduced.

The representative of Denmark further orally revised the draft resolution.

The Committee, then, adopted the draft resolution as further orally revised.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Japan made a statement.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.32

The Chairman informed the Committee that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Bolivia, Germany, Micronesia (Federated States of), Venezuela, Argentina, Cyprus, El Salvador, New Zealand, Dominican Republic, Solomon Islands, Sao Tome and Principe and Slovakia had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution.

The representative of Singapore moved, under rule 116 of the rules of procedure that no action be taken on the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/49/L.32.

Statements in favour of the motion were made by the representatives of Algeria and Bangladesh.

Statements against the motion were made by the representatives of Italy and Ireland.

The Committee voted on the motion put forward by the representative of Singapore.

The motion was rejected by 65 votes in favour to 74 against and with 20 abstention.

The representative of Singapore orally proposed an amendment to the draft resolution.

The representative of Egypt orally proposed amendments to the draft resolution.

The representative of India made a statement proposing to defer action on the amendments.

Statements were made by the representatives of Slovenia, Italy, Singapore, France and China.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Committee decided to postpone action on the draft resolution and amendments thereto for 24 hours.

58th meeting

Crime prevention and criminal justice [96]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard an introductory statement by the Director of the Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Branch, United Nations Office at Vienna.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany (on behalf of the European Union), Venezuela, Indonesia, the Russian Federation and Argentina.

The representative of the International Organization for Migration also made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman informed delegations that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under item 96 was Friday 9 December, at 1 p.m.

It was announced that the amendments to draft resolution A/C.3/49/L.32 which were orally presented at the 57th meeting would be issued in two separate documents.

It was also announced that the Third Committee would take action on all outstanding draft proposals next week.

COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE 211th meeting

Draft resolutions on the question of Palestine

The Chairman made a statement. A statement was also made by the Permanent Observer of Palestine. The Committee

adopted draft resolutions A, B, C and D for submission to the General Assembly.

Programme of work of the Committee for 1995

The Chairman made a statement.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
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52nd and 53rd meetings

Consideration of reports [4]

The Committee continued and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of Austria concerning articles 6 to 9 and 13 to 15 of the Covenant (E/1990/6/Add.5).

The Committee continued and concluded its consideration of the second periodic reports of the United Kingdom and Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning articles 10 to 12 (E/1986/4/Add.27, E/1986/4/Add.28 and E/1989/5/Add.9) and articles 13 to 15 (E/1990/7/Add.16).

The Committee continued its consideration of the initial report of Suriname (E/1990/5/Add.20).

Adoption of the report [8]

The Committee began the adoption of its report to the Economic and Social Council.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction, opened for signature at Paris on 13 January 1993

Signature: Lesotho (7 December 1994)

Ratification: Lesotho (7 December 1994*)

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification Particularly in Africa, opened for signature at Paris on 14 October 1994

Signature: Uzbekistan (7 December 1994)

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

The opening ceremony of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People will take place *today*, 8 December 1994, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall. This special ceremony will feature indigenous speakers from around the world. It will be preceded by a plenary meeting of the General Assembly during which the President of the General Assembly and representatives of Member States will speak.

Mr. José Ayala Lasso, High Commissioner for Human Rights, Ms. Erika-Irene Daes, Chairperson of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations, and Mr. Heribert Maier, Deputy Director-General of the International Labour Organization, will open the special ceremony. Indigenous speakers from the Arctic, North America, Latin America, Africa, Asia and the Pacific will address the ceremony.

Members of delegations, indigenous representatives and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Meeting

Thursday, 8 December 1994

STAFF COUNCIL

1.15 p.m. 2.30 p.m.	(open to staff members only)	Conference Room 4

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Special event

A special event to commemorate the International Decade for Human Rights Education will be hosted by the United Nations Centre for Human Rights and the United Nations Department of Public Information, in observance of Human Rights Day. The panel discussion will take place on Friday, 9 December 1994, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Mr. Samir Sanbar, Assistant Secretary-General for Public Information, will open the event. Participants include: José Ayala Lasso, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; Charlayne Hunter-Gault, National Correspondent for the MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour; Upandra Baxi, law professor, The American University; Ivanka Corti, Chairperson of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women; Shulamith Koenig, founder and Executive Director of the Organizing Committee of the People's Decade for Human Rights Education (ONG); Marta Varela, Commissioner and Acting Chair of the New York City Commission on Human Rights; and Jorge Werthein, UNESCO Representative to the United Nations.

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